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FOR THE CARPET STRETCHER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified patent application kindly amend the application as follows: